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LETTER (02.00 AND 02.05-21)

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING LETTER FROM US CO-CHAIRMAN
COSTLE TO ACADEMICIAN YURIY IZRAEL (SIGNED ORIGINAL BEING
FORWARDED BY POUCH):
2. FEBRUARY 16, 1978

ACADEMICIAN YU. A. IZRAEL
CHIEF, MAIN ADMINISTRATION OF THE HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL
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PERULOK PAVLIKA MOROZOVA, 12
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DEAR YURIY:

I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR THE EXCELLENT RECEPTION WHICH THE
SOVIET SIDE GAVE TO THE DELEGATION HEADED BY DAVID HALES

DURING ITS RECENT VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION. I WAS PARTICULARLY PLEASED THAT YOU WERE ABLE TO RECEIVE DAVID AND PIERRE SHOSTAL AND DISCUSS WITH THEM A NUMBER OF IMPORTANT ISSUES.

DAVID HAS INFORMED ME THAT ONE OF THE MAIN TOPICS COVERED DURING HIS TALK WITH YOU AND OTHER OFFICIALS ON THE SOVIET SIDE WAS THE QUESTION OF ACCESS TO GEOGRAPHIC AREAS IN EACH OTHER'S COUNTRIES. AS YOU WILL RECALL FROM OUR DISCUSSIONS DURING THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING IN NOVEMBER, WE BELIEVE THIS MATTER TO BE OF HIGH IMPORTANCE. THE DEGREE TO WHICH PROGRESS IS MADE ON ACCESS TO PEOPLE, INSTITUTIONS, INFORMATION, AND GEOGRAPHIC AREAS WILL INEVITABLY INFLUENCE THE COURSE OF OUR COOPERATION. FOR OUR PART, WE WILL CONTINUE TO STRESS THIS MATTER IN OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH OFFICIALS ON THE SOVIET SIDE.

AS REGARDS PLANS FOR THE MID-YEAR REVIEW OF THE AGREEMENT, I VERY MUCH LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU HERE IN WASHINGTON AND IN ALASKA THIS SUMMER. I HOPE YOU WILL SOON BE IN A POSITION TO LET ME KNOW YOUR PREFERENCES AS TO DATES.

WITH WARM REGARDS.

SINCERELY YOURS,

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